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In re Application of: Steven EBIN

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For: GAMBLING SYSTEM AND METHOD THROUGH A COMPUTER NETWORK

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examining the above identified patent application, please enter the

following amendment:

In the Description:

Following the title, please add the following paragraph:

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-- This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of provisional application Serial No. 60/225,958, filed August 17, 2000. --

REMARKS

The application has been amended to recite that it claims benefit of a prior filed copending provisional application, as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(5).

Early examination on the merits is respectfully solicited.

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